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1. Was water sampling done on any other day than September 1?

Answer: No.

2. Why were the only data quality control issues for phenol and phenol variants?

Answer: These were the only chemicals where the Quality Control samples did not meet the method requirements. Surrogate recoveries, as specified in the method, were not within the acceptable range for one sample. As these QA controls were out of range, EPA was not certain that the data was of a known and documented quality and was therefore rejected. An additional sample was collected at the sample site (colocated) and those specific chemicals were not detected in the sample.

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